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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

India is to be represented at the monetary conference.

The St. Louis Fair Association will offer no military premium this year.

The fruit crop will be a total failure in parts of Michigan and many of the Southern States.

It is estimated that the wheat yield, under favorable circumstances will be about the same as that of last year.

On the 24th of March June pork was \$15.00; and even went as low as \$14.90. Saturday it touched \$18.

A full grown panther was killed the other night within four miles of Memphis, Tennessee.

The new republican administration has been installed at Kansas City.

FEARS are entertained that the U. S. Frigate Constitution has been lost at sea.

The price of real estate has in some instances fallen off 25 per cent in England, in the past ten years.

SUBSCRIPTIONS have been started for the sufferer by the earthquake at Ohio, in various cities in this country.

The Virginia conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church closed at Danville Va. on the 18th.

The Missouri Commonwealth, a semi-monthly paper in the interest of immigration, is to appear on the first of May.

SATURDAY was a driving day with all our merchants. Our streets were crowded with people, and most of them came in on business.

Miss Lillie Slocum of Quincy is proprietor of a "bus" line. This is not a joke—but a fact and the busses are omnibuses.

WARRANTS have been issued against a number of actors and proprietors of theaters in Cincinnati for violation of the Sunday laws.

A big strike is now in progress among the street car drivers and conductors of Cincinnati. The city is virtually without transportation.

Tex doctors and sailors from American ships distinguished themselves by their humanity to the sufferers from the earthquake at Chile.

REMARK and the crown prince of Germany do not sympathize with the present agitation against the Jews in Germany.

The Modern Argos lacks patriotism. It advises its readers to abandon politics and go to spading in the garden, in other words abandon the union for the onion.

A delegation of republicans from Virginia have interviewed the president and protested against further recognition of the re-adjusters. They propose to run a straight ticket.

There were heavy snow storms in central Iowa early this week and snow still covers the ground and lies in heavy drifts in many places.

P. T. Barnum called on President Garfield the other day. Probably wanted to secure a very untamed office worker to exhibit during the tenting season—Argo.

You are mistaken. Barnum deals in curiosities. It was the man that didn't want an office he was nosing around for—but he didn't find him. What few of the species that are still alive are too busy with their editorial duties to accept an engagement.

A Washington dispatch of the 14th says: Many southern democrats are very much alarmed by the condition of their party in Missouri, as shown by the result of the spring election in that state. Said a democratic senator to a Press reporter: "I was not particularly worried by the result of the election in St. Louis, although that was bad enough; but I confess that the success of the republicans and independents in so many of the smaller cities throughout the state has surprised me, and it makes me feel very uneasy."

Over 1,100 immigrants landed at Castle Garden last Wednesday. The class of foreigners pouring into this port during the present season is far above the average in social and material position. A single German banking house here has cashed drafts aggregating to \$100,000 for immigrants who arrived by the last three German steamships. A steamer passenger who came on the Labrador from France on her recent trip had 50,000 francs in gold belted about his waist under his clothing.

## STATE ITEMS.

New city hall at Charleston.

Cape Girardeau is to have an elevator.

Ironton is to have an academy of music.

Middleton has voted for a seven months school.

That union depot at Hannibal will certainly be built this summer.

Ten divorce suits at the last term of the Lincoln circuit court.

The ladies of DeSoto are going to open a coffee and reading room.

The C & A. division terminus to be transferred from Mexico to Slater.

First regiment band at Hannibal has reorganized—Prof. Packard, leader.

Henry Ready hung himself at St. Joseph—mental derangement.

Charles Carples, the famous tenor, has removed from Leavenworth to Kansas City.

E. C. Richey, switchman in the Hannibal yards at Kansas City lost a foot on Saturday by being run over.

Rev. M. M. Riley of Mayslick, Ky., is visiting the baptist church at Moberly, with a view of the pastorate there.

The increase of freight business at St. Charles has induced the railroad company to put in another side track.

Ladies of the Christian Church at Joplin have organized a band of missions; Mrs. J. C. Faulkender, president.

Moberly modestly whispers occasionally, that if the Missouri capital moves, it may as well move there as anywhere.

Jefferson citizens are arranging for the entertainment of the Missouri press association which meets there May 10th.

Thomas Buckley, Pullman car conductor on the C. & A. road, died suddenly on his train at Odessa Saturday night.

Prof. Proctor has sued the Wabash road for \$10,000 damages for that little racket he enjoyed at Swanwick in February.

Congress ordered the improvement of St. Francois river and this will open a large timber region to market in Butler, Stoddard and Dunklin counties.

At Fulton, Rev. B. H. Charles has filed suits amounting to \$30,000 against Hon. I. W. Boulware for slander, etc.—outcome of the cowardling of Charles by Boulware last December.

Two new singing societies at St. Joseph musical society; president H. G. Buckingham; musical director, F. C. Walker. Mendelssohn musical society; president, M. A. Reed; secretary, P. H. Kost.

Having just given about \$10 worth of advertising for a 25 cent testament, the Missouri papers are repeating the operation on a 30 cent edition of Carlyle's reminiscences. The fools are not all dead—no, never, not by no means.

The editor of the Liberalist at Chimois, Osage county has been invited to leave town if he would avoid adorning a coffin, but he says he is going to keep right on in the good work of preaching republicanism regardless of the sneers and frowns of democrats hypocrites and bullies.

About twenty of the employees of the C. R. & Q. railroad struck at Quincy on Wednesday morning for an advance of ten cents per day. Their wages were cut down during the winter to \$1.15, and the strikers demand a great deal of sympathy. An attempt was made to fill their places from the section gang, but failed completely, they promptly refusing to step into the shoes of the strikers, and practically made a strike themselves.

The body of Jacob Hulten, a carpenter, was found dead on the streets of Hannibal Tuesday evening. The deceased was home at dinner on the day previous, which was the last his family saw of him alive. A jury was empaneled, which returned a verdict of death from heart disease. Hulten had resided in Hannibal for a number of years and was a quiet and respected citizen. When found in the street he still held his pipe in his mouth, indicating that his death was very sudden.

## SCISSOR GRAPHICS.

Even an Easter egg is not as bad as it is painted.

Thermometers reform late in life. They never become "temperate" until nearly 60.

Jobert, the Boer, is claimed by Pennsylvania. If this turns out to be the case, it will be the saddest blow that Ohio has yet received.

The hog cholera excitement is the biggest thing in the porcine line since Theodore Thomas had to leave Cincinnati because he refused to beat time with a ham.

"Bridget, I cannot allow you to receive your lover in the kitchen any longer. It's very kind of you, ma'am, but he is almost too bashful to come in to the parlor."

When a grocer advertises every variety of "raisins" for sale, does he include derrick, pulleys, jack-screws, yeast, rope and tackle, and that sort of thing?

We know a man so cross-eyed that he put his hand into another man's pocket and abstracted therefrom a watch. He wanted to learn the time. The judge told him it would be three years.

Another bachelor who died recently, left a will dividing all his property equally among the surviving women who had refused him; "because," said he, "to them I owe all my earthly happiness."

A double experience—"Shall I read you a pretty story, Elsie?" "Has it a moral to it?" "Yes, darling." "Then, Mumsey, I'd rather not. A story with a moral is like jam with a powder in it."

Women in the vicinity of the White House already pronounce Mrs. Garfield to be a model neighbor. She has not borrowed a flat-iron nor a drawing of tea since she moved into the neighborhood.—[Modern Argosy.]

"I declare, John, I never saw such a man! You are always getting some new wrinkle." And the brute calmly replied: "Matilda, you are not, thank fortune. If you had a new wrinkle, you would have no place to put it, dear."

A little 3-year old girl, while her mother was trying to get her to sleep, became interested in some outside noise. She was told that it was caused by a cricket, when she sagely observed: "Mamma, I think he ought to be killed."

The basket-lunch system, now adopted on the leading railroad lines is not intended as a substitute for picnics, although it has a decidedly picnic flavor to be able to spill coffee all over yourself and throw bones and crusts on the car-floor.

The decorative art mania.—Miss Nonnaufrat: "What a charming love of a cup, marked 'Tom and Jerry.' Genuinely Vender of Matjochka: "Yes, we sell a large number of them." Miss N.: "But have you any marked 'Clifford and Alvord, or Bertie and George'?"

Appearances are real deceitful. The boy who sings, "I want to join the angel band; with such fervor in Sunday school may be the same little rascal that fixed the tack from which you arose so enthusiastically in the street car."

In a small handbill a western editor says: "Owing to the non-arrival of our supply of paper, we cannot issue the Graphic this week." The man whose whole life's duty is to give them back and not cause the poor man to lie in that manner.

A western circus manager published an offer of \$100,000 for the ugliest woman on earth and Dr. Mary Walker offers \$700,000,000,000,000,000,000 for information that will lead to the discovery of the fiend who sent her a marked copy of the paper containing it.

A poet says: "When the sun imprints a good night kiss upon the western horizon the sky blushes." How pretty is the thought! The sky blushes when the sun rises in the morning; but then the poets are always asleep, for genius is generally late.—[New Orleans Picayune.]

A married gentleman, every time he met the father of his wife, complained to him of the temper and disposition of his daughter. At last, upon one occasion, the old gentleman exclaimed: "You are right. She is an impetuous jade, and if I hear any more complaints of her I will disinherit her." The husband made no more complaints.

After having passed sleepless nights, owing to the horrible noise made by a Cochiti China cook in a neighboring garden, Carlyle interviewed the proprietor of the hotel and expostulated. The owner, a woman, did not think Mr. Carlyle had much cause for complaint. The cook only grew three or four times in the night. "Eh? but, woman," said the unfortunate philosopher, "if you only knew what I suffered waiting for him to grow!"

It is pleasant as we shiver among snow drifts to read of the delightful spring weather of the Pacific coast. The *Atlas* of San Francisco says: "The weather since last autumn has been most delightful. The plentiful warm rains have brought vegetation forward rapidly, flowers have bloomed out of doors all winter, and the fruit trees are loaded with bloom, and the promise for every kind of crop was never better." After all we don't know but a snow storm in April is as good as an earthquake, which our Pacific friends enjoyed on Sunday.

He enters the city editor's room very mad. "You printed the statement that I was drunk yesterday, out up rough and made a beast of myself, and got run in." "Yes," replied the editor, "Are you displeased with the article?" "I am, sir; fearfully displeased with it." "Well, we have to give the news." "Yes, I don't mind your doing that; but by the great sub-tailed bull-dog, sir, I want you to understand that my name is Smyth, with a y, and if you spell it with an i again I'll wreck your old office! I want a correction published." He got it.

## SUNDAY READING.

Covetousness  
Lesson Luke 12: 13-21.

This is a lesson for these times; when greed of gain is the fruitful source of nearly all the sin and crimes committed. One of the company had asked that Jesus should speak to his brother to divide their inheritance honestly. He told the man that he was not a judge nor arbitrator to settle such questions. But he proceeded at once to expose the covetous disposition that always prompts to fraudulent gains. "BEWARE OF COVETOUSNESS." Watch as against an insidious foe. Why?

1. A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of things which he possesseth.

They can neither impart nor prolong life.

2. Covetousness is a constant craving for more, that peculiarly unites one for the enjoyment of the things already possessed.

3. The injustice and fraud practiced to gratify a covetous disposition, destroy all peace of mind and array society against its possession. "Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right."

5. But suppose one by honest industry has great gain, may he not hoard it and find his happiness therein? This is another phase of covetousness, and this is the point at which so many worldly-wise err to-day. The Master most vividly pictures this class in the parable of the lesson. (1) He did not seek more gain, but was filled with the care of what he had, and proposed to rest and enjoy it. He realized "the more acres the more cares."

"What shall I do?" (2) What did he do? Ignored God's claims. He uses the term "my five talents." "My barns," "my fruits," "my goods," "my soul."

"The fool hath said in his heart there is no God." (3) Was selfish. The goods were laid up for self only, to "eat, drink, rest, jollify." (4) He forgot eternity and his own spiritual needs. He forgot the short duration of his lease. He forgot DEATH. The order of his career was very significant. In the midst of his brief day, a feast of folly. In the evening, death. After death, a bankrupt soul. Are you living for earthly riches?

The old Catholic Synod of Germany, will open June 8th at Bonn. There was no Synod last year.

The general convention of the New Jerusalem church will meet at Washington, D. C. May 20th.

The revival in the Meriden (Conn.) Methodist church, lasting fifteen weeks is said to have resulted in 870 conversions.

The General Synod of the reformed church in the United States will hold its triennial session at Tiffin, O., beginning May 18th.

It is thought that Dr. Thomas of Chicago will not be prosecuted for heresy before the next meeting of the Rock River Methodist conference.

Bishop Reinkens has received three new priests into the old Catholic clearing force in Germany. One of them is said to be a learned benedictine.

In England the Roman Catholics in the past three years have gained 98 priests and 80 churches, having in all 1,962 priests and 1,175 churches. In Scotland they have gained 35 priests and 33 churches.

There are 1,578 ministers among the Tunkers, or German baptists. Of these 306 are in Pennsylvania, 248 in Indiana, 227 in Ohio, 142 in Illinois, and 133 in Iowa. The denomination is represented in twenty states.

The late Prof. Faraday adopted the theory that the natural age of man is 100 years. The duration of life he believed to be measured by the time of growth. In the camel the union takes place at 8, in the horse at 5, in the lion at 4, in the dog at 2, in the rabbit at 1. The natural termination of life is five moves from these several points. Man being twenty years in growing lives five times twenty years—that is, 100; the camel is eight years in growing and lives forty years; and so with other animals. The man who does not die of sickness lives everywhere from 80 to 100 years. The Professor divides life into equal halves, growth and decline—and these into infancy, youth, virility, and age. Infancy extends to the 20th year, youth to the 50th, because it is the period the tissues become firm, virility from 50 to 75, during which the organism remains complete; and at 75 old age commences to last a longer or shorter time as the diminution of reserved forces is hastened or retarded.

A wealthy man displaying one day his jewels to a philosopher, the latter said: "Thank you, sir, for being willing to share such magnificent jewels with me." "Share them with you, sir?" "What do you mean?" "Why, you allow me to look at them; and what more can you do with them yourself?"

## OUR NEIGHBORS.

Scotland County.  
Reville.

Sheep growers' association called to meet at Memphis on the 20th of April. W. D. Sigler brought a fine young bull and an aged cow at the Albion sale of short-horn cattle last week. The interest in fine stock in our county is increasing at an encouraging rate, which we are glad to notice as it is an established fact that it is largely more profitable to raise good stock than poor. Cattle brought high figures at the above sale, about \$85,000 worth being sold as we are informed—prices ranging from \$75 for calves to up in the hundreds per head for cows and bulls.

Harrison Dunn exhibited to us the other day an eggs-traordinary egg. When broken open a hard formation about the size and color of a large blue bean was found inside, fastened to one end of the shell. Can any of our experienced egg-layers explain this unusual freak in the production of hen-fruit?

Memphis is awaiting favorable weather, when the building fever which she has had will manifest itself in the erection of numerous buildings both for business and dwellings.

L. Metz, of Mexico, Mo., is in this city with the view to establishing a factory for manufacturing washing machines, which he informs us he is now manufacturing and selling on a large scale in Mexico. Mr. Metz is favorably impressed with this city and expects soon to have his factory operating and will probably make his future home.

Knox County.  
Edina Sentinel.

Number of deeds recorded in the recorder's office for January, February and March, 1881, are as follows: Warrants 179; Quit claim 43; general and miscellaneous 185. Total 417.

The new two story wagon and blacksmith building, of John A. Stauder is now about completed having recently been painted, a new awning and a large sign that the needy may read as they run.

The U. S. Marshal for the eastern district of Missouri, on last week paid his respects to the county court of our county. The return heretofore made by the county court on peremptory writs issued by the U. S. court at St. Louis, in certain actions on county and township bonds therein pending being adjudged insufficient, additional writs were last week served upon the court to show cause on the 10th why they should not be attached for contempt of court in failing to comply with the order of the court. The court is now between two fires. Judge Turner refused to make an order to the county court as provided by the County law for a levy to pay judgment obtained in the U. S. court, but the U. S. court says that the county court shall make the levy regard- less of the provisions of the County law.

Mr. Joe McQuoid, a former resident of Knox county, met with an untimely death in Colorado recently, by being shot in a difficulty arising from a dispute about some property McQuoid had purchased of the man who did the shooting. Mr. McQuoid lived about ten days after receiving the shot. The particulars of the case we have not learned.

The Knox County Democrat is of the opinion that Frank P. Hall is "scooped" for a seat on the county ticket. We think in all probability that Frank is "scooped" for the next county clerk, but he will differ with Bro. Frost, that a democrat will occupy that place. A straight Republican will fill that position at the next election, and don't you forget it.

Iowa farmers assembled in convention have remonstrated against the monstrous barbed-wire monopoly. The way to defeat this great injustice is to carry it to Congress and demand such a revision of the patent laws, that while due encouragement is secured to inventors, they shall not protect unprincipled corporations in fleecing the people out of millions of dollars each year. There is only one effective way of making such demands of Congress, and that is by electing representatives pledged to anti-monopoly principles.—*Farmer's Review.*

FRATRICIDE.

Tragedy near Kansas City—A Slick confidence man.

KANSAS CITY, April 18.—A man calling himself the Rev. Charles Robert Souer, who has been circulating among the good people of this city for two months past, ran away on Saturday, taking a sum of money and a watch belonging to his wife. Souer married this woman in Chicago last February. She has just discovered he has a wife and several children in Illinois. Souer is about forty years of age, is a noted confidence man and turned tricks in Springfield, St. Louis and Baltimore.

The news just received in this city of the shooting and killing of Kesiah Mattox, a Clay county farmer, by his brother, William Mattox. The tragedy took place four miles north of Liberty at noon to-day.

The old city officers have retired from office and the new administration (Republican) is sworn in.

OUR DRAWING ROOMS IN 1881.—Golden Youth: "Don't like music? Oh, yes, a do, though. At awfully jolly concert last night." Youth Lady: "And what did you hear?" Golden Youth: "Oh 'Fetch 'em with a waltz.' 'Got 'em on.' and 'Hang up your hat before the door.' and 'Come to your Martha.' and 'The young cock cackles.' You should have been there, you'd have roared." And it is quite likely she would. [Judy.]

## Missouri Progress.

The following is the way the Kansas City Times explains the political change in Missouri at the recent elections. It is mistaken, however, as to the influence of either Governor Crittenden or ex-Governor Phelps upon the result. The solution of the whole matter is simply that the people are becoming tired of Bourbonism.—Macon Republican.

"Will the Democrats of Missouri please have the kindness to gaze upon this picture of the credits of Missouri, from a political standpoint, under John S. Phelps Administration:

Democrat.	Republican.
St. Louis.....	—
Kansas City.....	—
St. Joseph.....	—
Jefferson City.....	—
Springfield.....	—
Carthage.....	—
Clinton.....	—
Warrensburg.....	—
Sedalia.....	—

"Now cast your eyes upon this picture of the cities of Missouri under Thomas T. Crittenden's Administration.

Democrat.	Republican.
Sedalia.....	—
St. Louis.....	—
Kansas City.....	—
St. Joseph.....	—
Jefferson City.....	—
Springfield.....	—
Carthage.....	—
Clinton.....	—
Warrensburg.....	—

"Cleveland and Cincinnati both went democratic last Tuesday."—Paris Mercury.

That is about as near the facts as the very virtuous editors of the Mercury ever get. Cleveland elected the entire republican ticket, and in Cincinnati all the republican ticket but one was elected. Wake up, mossbacks, and put on your spectacles.—Macon Republican.

Some absent minded damsel has evidently given a kiss to a writer on the Philadelphia Times. In a long and rapturous gush he tells us all about the pleasures to be derived from a sly osculatory matinee, asserting that there is to be found much refreshment in a well proportioned kiss. This much everybody acknowledges, though only a frank few have the courage to acknowledge it openly. An it is a curious fact, as yet unexplained by the philosophers, that the slyer the kiss the more there is in it of refreshment. A kiss that is paid as a forfeit before a whole room full of people is prosaic, not to say embarrassing. The girl laughs, which spoils the romance, and the fellow, ten to one, blushes. Neither of them thinks much of it, and they both are apt to pretty soon forget all about it. But let the same fellow kiss the same girl when nobody is looking—or, what amounts to the same thing, when they both think that nobody is looking—and the situation is as different as possible. That sort of a kiss, fired off in a hurry behind the door or in a conservatory is like an electric shock, and is as sweet as whipped cream. The taste of it sort of holds on and constantly suggests the propriety—or impropriety, as the case may be—of trying it again. And the laughing and blushing are exactly reversed. The fellow laughs without spoiling the romance a bit, and the girl blushes like a pink carnation.

Winter Wheat.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—The reports of April 1 received at the department of agriculture show an increase of nearly 4 per cent in the area of sown winter wheat. Kansas and Missouri show the largest increase; Ohio and Illinois but slight, and New York and Pennsylvania remain the same as last year. Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia each report some decrease owing to the prevalence of snow. At the date of the returns the condition of the crop was not given in large portions of the principal wheat growing states, but wherever mentioned it was stated as below the average of last year. The alternate freezing and thawing during the month of March was most damaging.

LIVE STOCK.

The live stock of the country, notwithstanding the scarcity of food and provender caused by the long and severe winter, has come out in fair health though reported very low in flesh. No malignant or prevailing disease is reported over any large extent of country. Local disorder of lungs and stomach are often mentioned. Great losses from cold and exposure are reported from the plains of the far west on account of the severity of the winter.

TRICHINOSIS.

A Terrible Case Developed in Allegheny, Pa.

PITTSBURGH, April 18.—The first case of trichinosis ever developed here made its appearance in the person of a German named Frank Niez. On that evening he ate freely of pork which was not well cooked. About two hours after he grew violently sick and terrible pains spread over his entire body. He was next taken with vomiting and purging, passing blood and small pieces of flesh. A physician was summoned, who pronounced it trichinosis and upon submitting a small piece of the flesh to the microscopical test in a net work of small muscles seventeen trichinae were found. Proper remedies were administered and the patient is slowly improving. Niez refuses to state from whom he purchased the pork.

## Heavy Storm.

New York, April 15.—A heavy storm is prevailing here, and considerable snow fell during the night.

Snowing.

PLYMOUTH, Mass., April 15.—It has been snowing and blowing hard all night. Two vessels are ashore near here.

## Severe Storm.

Boston, April 15.—There was a severe storm all along the coast last night, and this morning a number of vessels are reported ashore.

## Snow in Vermont.

WEST RANDOLPH, April 15.—A severe snow storm prevails throughout Central and Northern Vermont. There are several inches here. At Roxbury, on the Central Vermont line, the snow is a foot deep on the level, and in the adjoining town lies two feet deep, with good sleighing.

## A Terrible Storm.

New York, April 15.—Reports of incoming craft show that the storms prevailing are even worse than those of mid-winter and have been unusual in duration and range. Vessels from the South American coast and Bermudas have been caught in gales almost without exception, some of them being partially wrecked and others suffering terrible hardships. Several vessels are ashore on the Jersey coast.

## Cincinnati Strike.

CINCINNATI, April 15.—The street cars are nearly all still this morning on account of the strike. The company say they will get about one-fifth of the cars started during the day, as they have four hundred applications for places from new men on file. Mayor Means ordered detachments of police to be on hand for protection of the men who desire to work.

## Russia.

St. Petersburg, April 14.—A man has been captured having in his possession unlawful prints. He declines to answer any questions. He has been made to stand upon the chair of the Prefecture of Police, and all the house porters and general public have been invited to pass through the apartment to see if any of them could identify him.

## HANGING THE NIHILISTS.

St. Petersburg, April 15.—All the nihilists, except the woman Hussy Helfman, condemned to death for connection with the Czar's assassination, namely: Russakoff, Michealoff, Kibalschitsch, Jeloboff, and Sophie Pieofsky, were hanged at 10 o'clock this morning. Michealoff's rope broke twice. Order was not disturbed. An immense concourse of spectators were present.

## The Land Frauds.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—United States District Attorney Bliss is still absent from the city and nothing is known here of the course to be pursued by the Government with reference to the prosecution of the land frauds. Advice from Pittsburgh state that the prosecution in the Federal courts will be abandoned, but on the other hand instructions from Washington in the early part of the week indicated that the Attorney-General desired the cases to proceed in the Federal courts. Mr. Bliss will return here on Monday, when something definite will be made known. The Grand Jury investigating the land frauds are enjoying a recess which has no limit. Their further sitting will be governed by the attitude of the prosecution.

## Joint Immigration Meeting.

ST. LOUIS, April 15.—A joint meeting of the State Board of Immigration and the officers of the Missouri Immigration Society was held yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the former. Messrs. McKinley, Richardson and Steinacker, of the Board, and Fitch and Renshaw, of the society, were present. Mr. McKinley presiding. After a thorough discussion of the best method of action in order that the two bodies might not conflict, a resolution was passed by the Board authorizing Mr. McKinley to contract with Mr. Renshaw, who holds the copyright of the Hand book of Missouri, for 60,000 copies of that work for the sum of \$15,000. Thirty thousand of these are to be delivered on or before June 1, and the remainder on or before Sept. 1. Mr. Renshaw will be required to give the usual State bond, and he has this morning given an order to the Times Printing Co. for the first thirty thousand. The whole 60,000 copies taken by the State will be in English as the resolution of the Legislature prescribed.

## The Cut in Freight Rates.

New York, April 13.—It was reported to-day that the Baltimore and Ohio